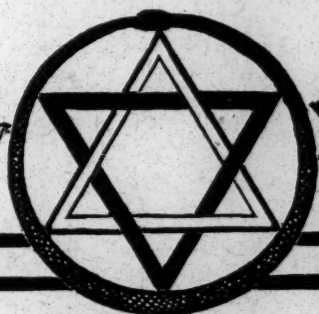




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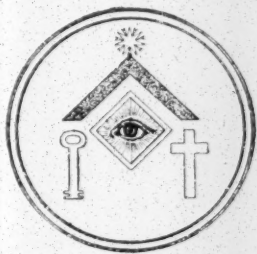
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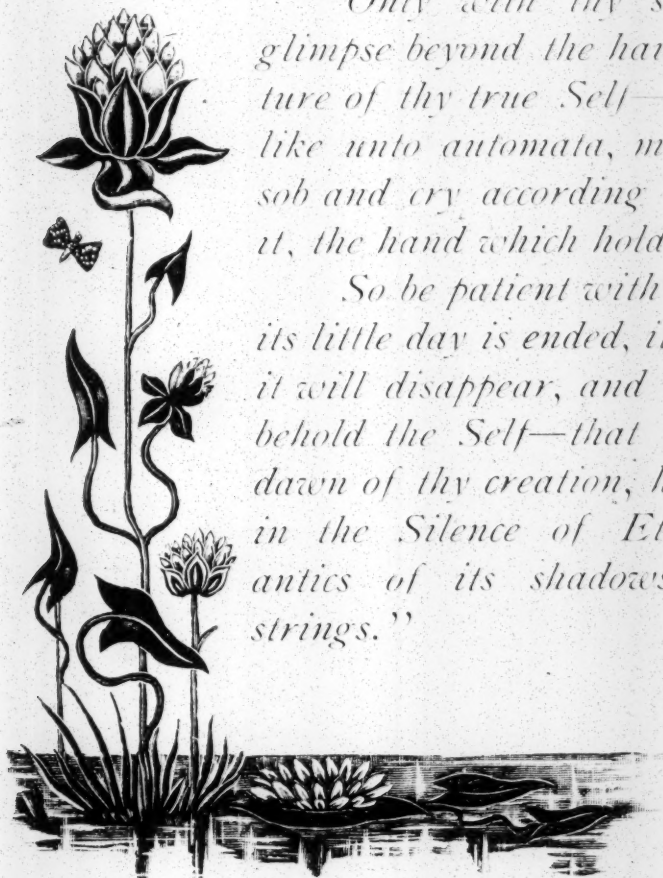
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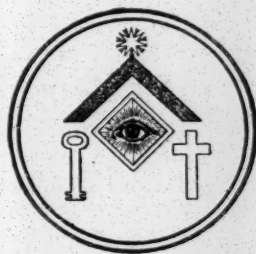
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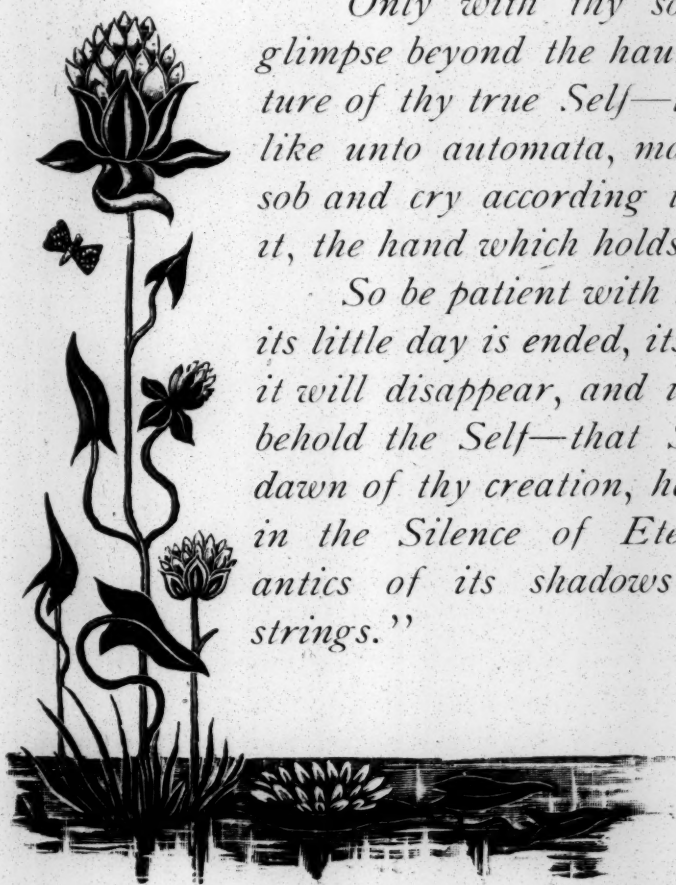
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THE MESSAGE.

Hearken, ye children of the New Dispensation! The time is near at hand when He who is to come will re-appear among men for the unification of the races of the earth. Open your eyes that they may see. Open your ears that they may hear. And open your hearts that the Son of Man may have place to lay his head, lest he pass you by and ye know him not.

WHAT IS LOVE?

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You who maintain that love is dependent upon respect, you do not know; you never can know what love is, and therefore upon what it subsists, until your own head has been bowed low, your own soul dragged through the mire of the world's scorn for love's sake; nor can you understand why men and women will lay themselves on the funeral pyre of self scorn, and self condemnation by the commission of acts they would condemn in others—acts which they know must come up before their own souls for recording—and all for love's sake.

In order to understand you must know something of the forces at work in and about you, must know something of the little lives which comprise those forces which are powerful enough to conquer everything but the spiritual will.

As a rule man does not know that he is putting himself in thrall to various distinct orders of life by his deeds—orders, the units of which are as real, as individual as is any other creature of nature's kingdoms. Ignorance of the exercise of his creative power in the interior realms of life often leaves him at the mercy of his own creations.

Non-recognition of this fact leaves him powerless to control such entities. His scorn of what he believes to be the superstitions of past ages, his absolute trust in the findings of modern science, are great hindrances to him. He does not perceive that the ancients took up the study of life from the point modern science has but just reached, and carried their investigations through fields of life the modern devotee is but just on the verge of discovering, and found that what are now termed degrees of force and energy are distinct orders of intelligent life, with governments and laws of their own, and that those infinitesimal lives are indissolubly united to all other orders of life, large or small.

Many a one will admit that an electrical storm exerts a peculiar effect on him, depressing or exhilarating, as the case may be; but tell him that the effects he feels are due to direct contact with countless numbers of the fiery lives, the elementaries, which every flash, every shimmering fold in the sky partly reveals, conscious creations that are incessantly beating, pounding on his nerves, and taking from or giving to them some measure of the fiery force that is their natural support, and you will evoke a smile of superiority from your listener.

You may have seen an immense flock of destructive birds light on an orchard or field of grain and leave it utterly bare, or a plague of insects pass over a large section of land, leaving it stripped of all green things. While the devastation is not so perceptible to the human eye, the passing over a race or nation of human beings of milliards of the negative fiery elementals has a somewhat similar effect. There is inevitably a great loss of physical vitality and nerve force in the units of that race. The resisting power of the human will and mentality throws off the influence of these lesser lives to a great degree, but there is always an appreciable loss of nerve force which must subsequently be made up, or the victim is so much the more subject to the action of any other inimical force.

These lesser lives are but one rank of soldiers among the countless legions engaged in the great battle of life. They are neither to be feared nor despised, but simply to be kept on their own side of the battle line.

They are as subject to the universal laws as is man, and are affected by the same influences. They are irresponsible and therefore soulless, and are subject to the will and mentality of higher orders of life. Many epidemics are caused by them. Terrific pressure is sometimes exerted by them on the nerves and grey matter of the brain by the conscious or unconscious ill will of a person. All this being true, is it not worth while to study them, and protect one's self from them when such protection is possible?

And this brings me back to my opening sentences. The higher any attribute or energy is in the scale of life the more powerful it is for good or ill, and the negative aspect of love evokes the cruellest, the most blinding, selfish, destructive phase of the fiery elemental lives in that scale.

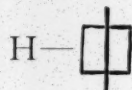
The positive aspect of the same attribute is the reverse in all respects. The lesser lives which manifest as a result of the exercise of the positive aspect of love are tenacious, open eyed, selfless, and whatever be the object, thing or person that has excited the pos-

itive aspect of the attribute in the heart of a human being; there is a constant bombardment of these lesser lives, and therefore a continual increase in strength and power of those qualities which are peculiarly active in the lesser lives of the positive aspect of the attribute, so that the will and mentality of the lower man are under restraint.

The latter cannot break away from his subjection to the thing or person if he would. It is for this reason that the character, qualities, or limitations of the object, however unworthy, fail to affect the real issue.

When the resident force actuating those lesser lives is exhausted, either by time, or through the action of the awakened spiritual will, and the soul is therefore freed from its thralldom, the power of that positive aspect of the great Love Principle is transferred from the one to the many, and the selfish satisfaction hitherto enjoyed in devotion to one object is increased many thousand fold.

It is then that the awakened soul knows what love is.



THE TEN RULES OF DISCIPLESHIP OF THE 4TH DEGREE OF THE GREAT WHITE LODGE.

God is Love, and Love is the fundamental source of Being.
Therefore, if thou sin against Love, that sin is against God.

1. "Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart and mind, and thy neighbor as thyself." This is the highest law.
2. Thou shalt obey the laws of life. The Higher Law will hold thee accountable for the breaking of every lesser law.
3. Thou shalt not sin against thine own body nor against the body of thy neighbor, by concupiscence; for the Lord thy God will demand an accounting of thee for all of the Creative Fire enthroned within thee.
4. Thou shalt not needlessly take the life of any thing or creature.
5. Thou shalt not speak falsely, unnecessarily or critically against thy neighbor, and so put in action the converse force of creative sound and word; for the Higher Law will reverse the action of the force thus directed and bring back upon thee, with intensified strength, the results of the broken law.
6. Thou shalt bear constantly in mind the unity of the human race, and treat every member of the Great White Lodge as though he were of blood kin; for unity is the law of discipleship and, if thou

sin against this law, thou shalt be greatly hindered in thy progress toward the goal of thy desires.

7. Morning and evening thou shalt lift the eyes of thy soul toward the Throne of thy God, with strong aspiration, gratitude and devotion; for according to thy desires—thy demands—upon the Center of all Being, desires expressed in purity, thanksgiving and unselfishness, shall the supply be vouchsafed thee.

8. Thou shalt give of thine abundance to all the poor, but of thy poverty, the price of thine own pleasures, and that which would minister to thine own desires shalt thou give to the Great Mother and to the Guardian of the Shrine, through which the Great Mother love of the universe radiates for thine own eternal good.

9. Thou shalt not despise nor ill-treat any thing or creature. Matter, Force and Consciousness are but different degrees of the one eternal, all-pervading principle of Love—which is God; and he who despises and reviles his body, because it does not radiate the light of his soul, despises God as certainly as does the man who despises and reviles the soul and spirit of God.

10. When the law of Love—of karma has brought thee out of the morass of spiritual darkness to the beginning of the path which leads to spiritual illumination, woe be unto thee if thou obstruct that path for thyself or others, by refusing to obey the Master to whose feet that law has brought thee.

Only by implicit obedience to the commands of the Master-Teacher shalt thou be able to lift one foot after another while treading that path of discipleship.

Commune long and earnestly with the God within thyself ere thou dardest to make demand to tread that path, for once thou hast entered it, thou canst no more return to thy former state of irresponsibility than thou canst re-enter thy mother's womb.

Behold the Path before thee; a clean life, pure aspiration and unselfish service. Art thou prepared to tread that Path?

SELF EXAMINATION BY THE TEN RULES OF

THE 4TH DEGREE OF THE GREAT WHITE LODGE.

1. Have I kept the pledge I have given, to work in harmony with the law of Love? Do I keep constantly in mind the truth that Love is God, and that only according to my faith in and love for that God, as It is materialized in all Its creations, is it possible for me to know aught of God?

2. Am I obeying the laws of life, so far as lies in my power, the laws of health, the spiritual, mental, moral and national laws, the laws of discipleship? To what extent am I breaking any one or more of those laws? Can I bring myself under subjection to the law I have broken?

3. Am I leading a morally clean and upright life?

Am I sinning against my body, or the body of my neighbor?

Do I strive to conquer the unclean, impure elemental forces evoked by conscious or unconscious desire, by the only method by which they can be effectually conquered; that is, by overwhelming them with pure, true and beautiful concepts; by striving to learn if there is any physical cause for the incitement of such forces, and removing the same if possible? Do I always bear in mind that by promiscuous scattering of the life essence in my body, I am calling down much suffering on myself; for I am degrading and wasting the very substance of the God-head,—Creative Fire?

5. Do I speak falsely, unnecessarily or uncharitably against my neighbor, and so abuse the power I possess for using the high Creative forces of sound and word?

Do I take the name of God or the Masters in vain by needless reference in common conversation or profanity?

Do I try to speak kindly to and of others; try to give all the help and comfort I can give to those in trouble or affliction, and use any grains of knowledge and wisdom I have gained for the benefit of others?

Do I always protest when others speak unkindly, uncharitably or falsely of my co-disciples?

6. Do I try to bear always in mind that the human race is one great family, and that the different divisions, groups, associations each represent one member of that family; and therefore endeavor to treat all men, and especially my co-disciples, as though they were of blood kin?

Are my actions toward them instigated by love and brotherhood, or by what I may selfishly gain from them?

Do I permit envy, jealousy or ambition to lead me into wronging others?

7. Do I devote some portion of the morning, or evening, to meditation and aspiration, and to cultivating the attitude of Faith, Gratitude, Humility and Devotion?

8. Am I keeping my vows to give all my available time, means and thought to the upbuilding of the Temple work?

Am I giving all the service, the means, the encouragement and

protection I have promised to give in sustaining the Agents of the Lodge, or am I carelessly or wilfully neglecting to do so, and so robbing myself and others of the advantages, the help and direction I might secure, and at the same time permitting great breaches to be made in the Guardian Wall, through which the enemies of the Lodge may creep to bring death and destruction within the Temple ranks?

9. Do I realize and act upon the truth that Matter, Form and Substance are as much a part of God as is spirit and soul, and that by despising or neglecting to care for my body, or continually longing to be released from its bonds, I am despising and neglecting God?

10. Am I honoring and obeying the directions of the Masters in all respects?

Am I striving to learn who among the great historical characters may, or must, have belonged to the Lodge of Masters, and try to profit from their advice and experience, and help others to do the same?

Am I diligent in making self-examination, at stated periods as I am directed, and do all that I can to undo any wrong I have done, and increase my efforts to fulfill any law I have disobeyed, before daring to present myself at the table of the Feast of Expectation?

Finally, am I striving to make my body, soul and spirit an acceptable offering, in the eyes of God and the Masters of all wisdom?

SOCIAL SCIENCE.

WHAT IS MONEY? INTRINSIC AND FIAT VALUES.

(Concluded).

The history of the world records the struggle of the rich and powerful against the weak. The reason for making money from scarce material is that the few may control it. The surest road to prosperity and national peace, wealth and greatness is in full legal tender paper money such as was maintained in Italy for 500 years at above par with gold, without an ounce of gold or silver behind it as money of "ultimate redemption." The Government made it money and received it for every debt.*

Statesmen, philosophers, and courts have agreed on this definition of money in all ages. Some courts have added to this idea, "all debts both public and private." This definition is backed by the brain and patriotism of the world's best and greatest minds. Bills that are to be redeemed in money are no more money than a personal

note or check. It is the legal tender quality which gives value to money.

Money in itself has no value and should have none; therefore it is not correct to speak of the intrinsic or fiat value of money. There is no such thing. Money is the measure of value. It is by coining all the gold into money that we give to gold bullion its money value. What its intrinsic or commodity value might be, stripped of its money value, would depend upon the amount produced and the amount consumed in the arts. Law makes money. Congress has declared what should be legal tender in payment of debts. The right thus to enact has been assumed in twenty-four statutes, passed in the Presidencies of Washington, Jefferson, Monroe, Jackson, Tyler, Polk, Fillmore, Pierce, Lincoln and Johnson.

Congress at one time has said that gold coin of a certain weight and fineness shall be worth ten silver dollars and be legal tender for that sum. Congress has afterward said that a coin containing less gold shall be worth ten silver dollars and a legal tender for that sum. The power to make this debasement to the extent of 6 per cent as was done by the law of 1834 and to give debased coin the quality of a legal tender for precontracted debts, involves the power to carry the debasement to the extent of 60 per cent, or any per cent and to give the same quality to the coin thus debased. The United States Supreme Court says: "Indeed the legal tender treasury notes have become the universal measure of value. The Constitution was intended to frame a government, as distinguished from a league or compact,—a government supreme in some particulars over states and people. It was designed to provide the same currency, having a uniform legal currency in all the states. It seems to have been left to Congress to determine alike what metal shall be coined, its purity, how far its statutory value as money shall correspond from time to time with the market value of the same metal as bullion. How, then, can the grant of a power to coin money and regulate its value, made in terms so liberal and unrestrained, coupled with the denial to the states of all power over the currency, be regarded as an implied prohibition to Congress declaring treasury notes a legal tender?"

It is hardly correct to speak of a standard of value; the Constitution does not speak of it. It contemplates a standard for that which has gravity or extension, but value is an ideal thing. The coinage acts fix unit as a dollar, but the gold or silver thing we call a dollar is in no sense a standard of a dollar; it is a representative of it. There might never have been a piece of money of the denomination of a dollar.

Value is an ideal thing. Money is the representative of value, and it is not necessary or desirable that the material from which it is fabricated should of it self have any value. The essential value in currency lies in the stamp of the government, which stamp alone has the virtue of elevating the paper or metal to its face value, and thereby maintaining the loyalty and cohesion of the nation.

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OCCULTISM FOR BEGINNERS.

XII.

In the last lesson it was stated that the Heaven of the Cell, as in the case of man, was *a state of consciousness* and *not a place*. As there are SEVEN HEAVENS or higher states of consciousness which it is possible for the soul of man to enter, so are there seven heavens or states of consciousness into which or rather with which the spiritual consciousness of the cell may be identified. These heavens in the case of the CELL ENTITY are the seven cavities of the brain connecting with the central cavity running all the length of the spinal cord. These cavities are termed in occultism the SEVEN HARMONIES. These chambers may be graded from above down as follows:

1. The Cavity of the Pineal Gland.
2. The Cavity of the Pituitary Body.
3. The Third Ventricle.
4. The Fourth Ventricle.
- 5 and 6. The two lateral Ventricles.
7. The Cavity of the skull itself—the total of all the other cavities.

All of the Cavities and Ventricles of the brain are connected by intercommunicating channels or canals, one with the other, and with the Central Canal of the Spinal Cord which as said runs the entire length of the Cord to the base of the spine. Here then, we have in the physical body, enclosed *within* it, an etherial magnetic realm in which the astral self contacts the brain and spinal centres and in which etheric realm the finer forces play and interplay.

Every desire, thought and feeling had by a human being, arouses a vibration in the brain cavity or sphere which *corresponds to that desire or thought* in terms of quality and kind. The highest

spiritual desires and aspirations of which man is capable and which is beyond mere *self* arouses into activity the high force and essence in the pineal gland.

The lower desires and impulses in man arouse corresponding forces in the cavities situated nearer the base of the brain where the merely *vital* and more *animal* centres are located. If gross desires and thoughts are the rule, gross forces are energized in these lower spheres and these forces pass downward into the Central Canal and circulate by absorption in all parts of the body, *materializing* the body the more and rendering it grosser and more animal and finally causing by direct impact and reflection diseases, which in their essential nature correspond *with the desire* or thought forces which are the real INNER CAUSE of such diseases. In other words, the natural Harmony of one or more of the Spheres of Harmony has been disturbed and may even cause physical disease if it has gone far enough, in order to restore by pain and sacrifice the harmony due to the fixed inexorable law that the outer must in time adjust itself to the inner, the material to the spiritual, no matter what the cost or suffering may be—as INFINITE GOOD must ever be greater than *finite* evil.

In terms of sight, the pure natural color of the etheric substance in any one of these inner CHAMBERS OF HARMONY glows brighter and clearer, as the *desires, thoughts and actions* of the individual become more *unselfish* and UNIVERSAL. On the other hand, if *selfishness* and animality dominate, the pure natural color of the inner etheric substance, becomes gradually filled with *dark or black centres*, each centre marking some individual selfish desire, thought or act, of the lower self. Truly important is the eternal fact, that ALL LIFE IS ONE LIFE, that Men and Angels, Gods and Devils are bound together in that ONE SUPREME LIFE; and that, as Gods and Angels can brighten the earth, so can men and devils dim the splendor of the heavens in some degree by evil *done*, or *desired*.

The UNIVERSAL DEITY is being perfected by the perfection of its individual and minute parts called atoms, molecules, cells, men, angels and worlds. So man is being perfected by the perfection of his minute parts, and each thought, desire and act has a *constructive* or *destructive* power on his inner immortal body either building in accordance with the DIVINE PLAN or tearing down what has been built up in proportion to the amount of downward energy exerted. GOD IS STILL BUILDING THE HEAVENS AND THE EARTH, and *we were* WITH HIM and OF HIM in the

beginning as WE ARE NOW, no matter what embodiment we may have had or on what plane of action we may have functioned.

The etheric substance of the SEVEN HARMONIES is the *real link* between the *spiritual* and *material* selves of man. On this sensitive substance, the Higher Self reflects its messages, visions, and impressions, which are then received by the brain cells and centres. Correspondingly, this sensitive substance receives impressions and vibrations from the lower self, which in this way may invoke (pray) the help of the HIGHER FORCES, or may, as has been pointed out, if the desires are of evil nature, pollute and darken the pure sensitive ether of these Inner Chambers of Consciousness.

The interdependence of all Substance, Force and Consciousness must ever be kept in mind by the student of life.

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EDITORIAL MIRROR.

"Yoga is the power to keep the Mind unmodified by external impressions."



Once the power of Yoga is obtained, the Mind has the power to identify itself with any plane of consciousness desired, or with the inner or outer essence of any grade of substance, force, and consciousness; likewise the power to *withdraw* itself from any plane or grade of substance, force or consciousness.



And it is this power that marks the difference between the ordinary mortal and the true Yoga. The mentality of the ordinary man or woman is bound by iron, brass, and steel bonds to various conditions, attachments and illusions of the material world, and such have no power to withdraw the Mind from these; or if it has the power to break away for an instant, almost at once, the Mind is modified and falls into another set of impressions by some more or less powerful external vibration received through the avenue of one or more of the senses.



The Mind is more sensitive to external forces than water is to the action of the winds. Tenuous, fluidic and mobile, it responds to the least breath of impulse from within or without, unless controlled by the Higher Manas conjoined with the Sixth Principle—Buddha—the very Light of the Mind itself. In this delicate responsiveness of the lower mind, it tends to fall into the image of whatever modifies it—*becomes it* for the time being.



Thus when the mind perceives a beautiful image of any character whether in terms of sight, sound, or feeling, it tends to fall

into the same state of consciousness according to the depth of the impression made. Correspondingly when the mind perceives distorted, ugly and evil images of sight, hearing or feeling, it likewise tends to become identified with the same.



In the case of the beautiful images, only good may come to the nature, for Truth and Beauty belong to the Higher Mentality and if the Lower mind falls into those images, it tends to closer unity with the Higher. But when the images are evil it tends to a greater separation between the Higher and the Lower natures.



If the mind does not fall into these evil images it is because the inherent light is too strong and will not permit the mind to be modified into that image. Unless some degree of Yoga power has been developed however, constant association or contact with the negative or destructive side of life will do its work on the law of action put into words by the poet:

"Vice is a monster of such hideous mien,
That to be hated, is but to be seen,
But seen too oft, familiar with her face,
We first endure, then pity, then embrace."



Thus the importance to the student who would scale the heights of life to ever keep his mind negative (receptive) to the soul and positive to (against) the world—that the world may not modify his mentality into its misshapen forms. Knowingly one would not take a rotting thing into one's bosom. Nor a rotting force or thought into one's mind. Yet that is exactly what is done when one listens to evil spoken of another, or to low personal gossip or slander of anybody whatsoever. Constant association with such forces must do one of two things—either you refuse to permit your mind to be modified into that image of low personality which instantly cuts off the contact with elimination of the vehicle, or you fall into the image and vibrate with it and soon find yourself swept away in a maelstrom of low personal forces which can have no place in the auric consciousness of one who knows and has the power to stand face to face with the Masters of Love and Wisdom.

W. H. D.

CHILDREN'S DEPARTMENT

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TESTS.

When children go to school they are given tests or examinations that the teacher may know how much they have learned and see if they are prepared to enter a higher grade.

These tests or examinations are being given to children and grown people all through life. The questions are not written on paper or the blackboard, and they are not answered as they are in school, but they are being made day by day and hour by hour, though we may never think of them as examinations at all.

Some small event, so trifling in appearance that perhaps we may not notice it, is often the little testing point upon which the success or failure of a whole life depends. A little carelessness, a little thoughtlessness, unkindness, or dishonor, often turns a person the wrong way, and the result is noticed by anyone who chooses to observe.

A child's whole life goes wrong, his character becomes unclean and untrue from some little act of wrong and no one, not even himself can say why. He has simply failed in a test or examination given him by his own better or Higher Self. The great Law of Truth sees he is unfit to pass into a higher grade of purer, holier life and thought and keeps him among the ignorant, the impure, the unlovely things of life, the toads, the snakes, the worms, the slimy creeping things of the selfish nature.

This is what makes the different forms of life. Everything finds its place through these tests, the birds, flowers, animals, men, angels, or masters. Nothing is allowed to take a single step up the great path of life without being tested as to its unselfish, loving strength to stand on that higher step.

It is well that this is so, for it is far better if we have to go back again to a lower place, that we do not drop so far, and injure ourselves so severely, or others whom we might drag with us. Sometimes we do not know at once that we have fallen back, but the truth always shows itself in time, and after a while we find ourselves alone and our friends and companions gone way beyond us.

As soon as a child comes into contact or association with the better and higher things of life, a change takes place within him. It is like playing a piece of music in a higher octave. Everything

becomes finer and more sensitive within his nature. The good and the bad come to the surface. They are brought more clearly to his attention and he has to separate the one from the other and choose which he will keep. He is like a man standing on a high plateau, breathing the more rarefied air of the spirit, and he is tested as to whether he can keep his balance or be drawn over the precipice into the gulf beneath. If he can be still and kind when things annoy him, when his playmates tease, or if he can be strong and brave to do the right when something tempts him to do wrong, if he can deny himself to give to another he will have passed a test and be allowed to enter a higher class in life. He will find happier conditions about him, more intelligent people among his friends, and life will be greater and sweeter for him in every way.

No one can pass these tests for us. We must always go through them for ourselves. The most learned person that ever lived could not learn our arithmetic for us. If we would become learned like him, we must study like him. The best man that ever lived could never make us good without our trying for ourselves. If we would be unselfish and holy like Jesus, serving and healing all people as He did, we must sacrifice as He sacrificed, love as He loved, live as He lived. We must be these things ourselves. Then will we be allowed as was the beloved disciple, John, to lie upon the Master's bosom and to rest in the peace of His love.

INVOCATION.

Calmness of mind,
Greatness of heart,
Humility, the truth to impart
To childhood, that it may find
Pure light of knowledge,
O Master, kind,
We ask of Thee!

Wisdom in deeds,
Soul strength to prove,
That sacrifice in willing love,
Is sweetness, that sows the seeds
That fills the measure
Of earthly needs,
We ask of Thee!

TEMPLE ACTIVITIES AND NOTICES.

SPECIAL NOTICE—About a year ago the Rules for Discipleship and Method of Self Examination by those Rules were given by the Master to one of the inner Orders for the use of Temple members who are seeking the spiritual illumination which can come only by persistent self effort. We have recently been directed to give them to the whole membership. Comment is unnecessary, for surely every earnest disciple of the Great White Lodge will recognize their importance.

Unless we know how we have offended against the Law of our Being, we will make no determined effort to avoid such offenses and to cultivate the qualities which alone will kill out or change the desires which have led to such offenses.

—GUARDIAN-IN-CHIEF.

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Topics discussed at Headquarters' Sunday meetings during the past month are "A Bible Study," "Our Opportunities" and "The Culture of Concentration." On Easter Sunday the regular Easter services were held, including singing by the children and receiving several children into the Temple and the naming ceremony for baby Arthur Sterling Harrison.

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The Headquarters Cottage is receiving its long needed coat of paint. The upper story and roof are covered with a green stain, the lower story with a brown stain and the trimmings with light green paint. Bartram Kent is doing the work.

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Brother George Bailey recently paid his comrades at the Centre a visit, spreading broadcast his loyalty and good cheer. Come again.

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Brother C. W. Boettcher is spending some time at Headquarters and is busy with calcimining and other useful arts.

The Temple Builders have commenced publishing postcards, one side containing important or beautiful extracts from Temple Teachings or other occult literature. The first issue contains a part of the leaflet commencing, "Arouse Ye," which is the first call sent out by the Temple years ago. The Builders are selling these cards at 2½ cents each, 25 cents a dozen, 50 cents for package of 25 cards. When this issue is sold or sooner, another set will be issued and so on until a good variety of extracts are on hand, all of which will be excellent messages for any one to send out in his correspondence. It is hoped that Temple Builders and Temple members will purchase and use these postcards and so help the Builders in this excellent plan to radiate the Temple Light, the Light of Truth.

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The Mantrams and Words of Force have been nicely printed in bold faced type on a card 9½x13¾ inches, very nice for hanging on the wall. We can supply these, mailed in a tube, at 25 cents each.

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Members should exercise care in drawing money orders for payment of Temple dues, ARTISAN subscriptions, Helping Hand contributions, and for bound ARTISANS, Temple pins, etc., always making payable to Jane W. Kent, Treasurer.

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April is one of the semi-annual times for the payment of dues. The prompt payment of dues in advance is very important for the progress of the Temple work.

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Any Temple member or ARTISAN subscriber failing to receive THE ARTISAN regularly should so notify the Scribe.

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It seems inexcusable that so many Temple members and ARTISAN readers are careless in reporting changes of address. Almost daily the Scribe incidentally hears that some member has moved

or he receives a card from some postmaster stating that some one has removed and THE ARTISAN can not be delivered. And sometimes such members venture to complain that they have not received their ARTISAN or other mail.

Those who will not read the standing notice following this paragraph and who will not follow the directions given therein every month, should not hold any one else accountable for their own neglect. A postal card and a minute of time is all that is required and any one can give that much. In disregard of our often repeated directions some members persist in bothering other busy officers at Headquarters with their notices of change of address, thereby requiring the officer to turn aside from his or her own duties and write to the Scribe a memorandum which the member should write himself direct to the Scribe.

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All Temple members and other readers of THE ARTISAN should PROMPTLY NOTIFY the Scribe of any Change of address. Send such notice on postal card or otherwise direct to the Scribe and do not include it in any correspondence with other officers or workers at Headquarters. The observance of this method is very important to those making any change in address.

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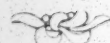
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